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1. MUNITIONS CONTROL CASES (CONFIDENTIAL)

WE ANTICIPATE THAT UNDERSECRETARY BENSON WILL CHAIR A MEETING NEXT WEEK TO CONSIDER THE EA APPEAL OF SEVERAL MUNITIONS CONTROL CASES FOR THE PHILIPPINES WHICH HAVE BEEN TURNED DOWN BY HA. THESE CASES INCLUDE THREE FOR SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT (TWO FROM COASTAL EXPORT AND ONE FROM GULF AND WESTERN), THE AIFV

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CASE SUBMITTED BY FMC, TWO APPLICATIONS TO DEMONSTRATE SUBMACHINEGUNS, AND THE DEFERRED SUBMISSION TO CONGRESS OF NOTIFICATION OF SALE OF THREE PATROL BOATS. THE CASE FOR OUR APPEAL HAS NOT BEEN MADE ON HUMAN RIGHTS GROUNDS, BUT ON THE BASIS OF OUR SECURITY COMMITMENT.

IN INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WE HAVE SECURED AGREEMENT FROM HA

TO WITHDRAW ITS OBJECTION TO THREE TEAR GAS CASES FOR SINGAPORE (REF SINGAPORE 2368 AND STATE 136693) AND A GULF AND WESTERN APPLICATION TO DISCUSS SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT WITH KOREA AND THAILAND. WE ARE PRESENTLY DRAFTING APPEAL MEMORANDA FOR THREE CASES FOR INDONESIA: 28 GAS GUNS AND MASKS; 3000 SPARE PARTS KITS FOR .38 CALIBER PISTOLS; AND SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT.

2. KANGAROO TOO LARGE FOR INDIAN OCEAN (SECRET)

LES GELB TOLD AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR RENOUF THIS WEEK THAT AN EXERCISE LIKE KANGAROO, WHICH INCLUDED AN AMPHIBIOUS TASK GROUP, AND A LARGER CONCENTRATION OF NAVAL AND AIR FORCES THAN IS ROUTINELY PRESENT IN THE INDIAN OCEAN WOULD NOT BE CONSISTENT WITH AN INDIAN OCEAN AGREEMENT. IN ACCORD WITH A SCENARIO WHICH EA CLEARED IN ADVANCE, GELB REAFFIRMED VICE PRESIDENT MONDALE'S RECENT OFFER IN CANBERRA TO SCHEDULE A "MODERATE" AIR AND SEA EXERCISE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN, THEN MADE HIS COMMENTS ON KANGAROO WHEN RENOUF QUESTIONED THE MEANING OF "MODERATE". NOTING WE HAD TOLD THE SOVIETS THAT COCKBURN SOUND WAS AN AUSTRALIAN FACILITY FROM WHICH NO US STRATEGIC FORCES ARE DEPLOYED, GELB ALSO REQUESTED THAT THE GOA CONFIRM THIS POINT IN ITS OWN CONVERSATIONS WITH THE SOVIETS.

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3. HOUSE PASSES DEPARTMENT OF STATE FY 79 AUTHORIZATION (UNCLASSIFIED)

ON MAY 31, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES PASSED AND SENT TO THE SENATE THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S FY 79 AUTHORIZATION. DURING FLOOR CONSIDERATION THE HOUSE DELETED PROVISIONS FOR AN INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS, SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVES FRASER AND FASCELL (202-164); AND FOR A COMMISSION TO STUDY CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROPOSALS (237-135). IT ALSO DELETED A PROVISION THAT WOULD HAVE AUTHORIZED A \$100 THOUSAND STUDY OF ADDITIONAL PARLIAMENTARY EXCHANGES BETWEEN CONGRESS AND OTHER COUNTRIES; THE ORIGINAL COMMITTEE PROPOSAL HAD BEEN SPONSORED BY REPRESENTATIVE WOLFF, WHO FAVORED ESTABLISHING AN ASIAN/PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY. UNTOUCHED ON THE FLOOR WERE OTHER PROVISIONS IN THE BILL THAT WOULD : 1) AUTHORIZE \$60 MILLION TO PERMIT US CONTRIBUTIONS OF TIN TO THE INTERNATIONAL TIN BUFFER STOCK; 2) ESTABLISH AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS MATTERS

4. NEW HUMAN RIGHTS REPORT TO CONGRESS (LOU)

AT A JUNE 6 MEETING CALLED BY EB, WRITING CHORES WERE PASSED OUT AND DEADLINES SET FOR THE ANNUAL STATE/TREASURY HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTING REQUIREMENT CONTAINED IN PL 95-118; THIS BILL, WHICH PASSED LAST YEAR, PROVIDES FOR INCREASED

U.S. PARTICIPATION IN THE IFIS. HA WILL DO A SECTION OF THE REPORT, DUE ON THE HILL OCTOBER 2, ON HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRESS AS A RESULT OF OUR ACTION IN THE IFIS; THE CONSENSUS AT THE MEETING WAS THAT WE SHOULD NOT TRY TO BE TOO SPECIFIC ABOUT OUR CLAIMS FOR PROGRESS. TREASURY WILL DO A REQUIRED SECTION ON OUR EFFORTS TO CHANNEL IFI LAWS TO BHN PROJECTS, DESPITE THE FACT NO CLEAR DEFINITION
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OF WHAT CONSTITUTES A BHN PROJECT YET EXISTS. EB WILL DO A PIECE ON OUR CONSULTATIONS AND EFFORTS TO GET OTHER IFI DONOR REACTIONS INTO THE HUMAN RIGHTS ACT. WHILE EA AND THE OTHER REGIONAL BUREAUS HAVE NO DRAFTING ASSIGNMENTS WE OBVIOUSLY HAVE A MAJOR INTEREST IN THIS REPORT AND WILL WANT TO LOOK CAREFULLY AT THE FIRST DRAFT IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS.

IN THE COURSE OF THE MEETING HA'S REPRESENTATIVE ARGUED FOR A FOURTH SECTION OF THE REPORT WHICH WOULD DESCRIBE "FUTURE PLANS TO WORK WITHIN THE IFI BUREAUCRACIES FOR A SHIFT OF LOANS FROM BAD TO GOOD HUMAN RIGHTS COUNTRIES". HA DROPPED THE POINT IN THE FACE OF EB, TREASURY, AND REGIONAL BUREAU OPPOSITION, BUT IS VERY LIKELY TO RAISE THIS ISSUE AGAIN.

5. THE RIBICOFF ANTI-TERRORISM BILL (LOU)

YESTERDAY I ATTENDED A PRE-BRIEFING WITH THE COMMITTEE STAFF ON THE RIBICOFF BILL TO STRENGTHEN FEDERAL PROGRAMS AND POLICIES FOR COMBATTING INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC TERRORISM. WHILE MOST OF THE ATTENTION WAS DIRECTED AT THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA, I WAS QUESTIONED BRIEFLY ON THE EFFECT OF THE BILL ON EAST ASIA. I SAID I THOUGHT IT WOULD TAKE A VERY STRAINED INTERPRETATION UNDER PRESENT CIRCUMSTANCES TO CONSIDER ANY EAST ASIAN GOVERNMENT TO BE A "PATRON" OF TERRORIST GROUPS AT THIS TIME AND BRIEFLY DISCUSSED THE PRC AND NORTH KOREAN POSITIONS WHEN INTEREST WAS EXPRESSED IN THEM. I DID NOTE, IN SUPPORT OF NEA AND AF WHICH HAVE MORE TROUBLESOME PROBLEMS, THAT THERE WAS ALWAYS SOME CONCERN AS TO HOW THE CRITERIA WOULD BE DEFINED AND WHETHER DIFFICULTIES COULD ARISE IN FUTURE UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES.

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6. SSOD (CONFIDENTIAL)

THE GENERAL DEBATE PORTION OF THE SSOD IS WELL ALONG TOWARD COMPLETION. AMONG THOSE SPEAKING FROM EA HAVE BEEN FRASER, ROMULO, HUANG HUA, SONODA, MOCHTAR, TALBOYS, AND THE VIETNAM MINISTER OF CULTURE AND INFORMATION, AS WELL AS THE REPRESENTATIVES OF MALAYSIA, PNG AND

MONGOLIA. WORK IS CONCURRENTLY GOING ON CONCERNING THE PROGRAM OF ACTION AND THE DRAFT DECLARATION AND CONSIDERABLE ATTENTION IS PRESENTLY BEING GIVEN TO THE QUESTION OF MACHINERY FOR FUTURE DISARMAMENT DISCUSSIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS, AND THE PROBLEM OF NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT. IT IS FAR TOO EARLY, HOWEVER, TO PREDICT WHAT SORT OF OUTCOME CAN BE EXPECTED. ONE STRIKING ASPECT OF THE SPECIAL ASSEMBLY SO FAR HAS BEEN THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE PRC, NOT ONLY IN THE GENERAL DEBATE BUT ALSO IN CONNECTION WITH VARIOUS WORKING GROUPS. VANCE

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